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OTHER REMINISCENCES.

Suggested by Editor Barron's Article.

EDITOR NEWS: In your issue of April 24, 1902, under the title "Fifty Years Ago," Editor Barron speaks of several gentlemen whose names are familiar to many of the older readers of the News.

I may be able to give a little information respecting some of the persons and places mentioned by him which may possibly interest some readers of the News.

The old church building in which Fulton county's first court was held, still stands as a monument of the past, but has been vacated for several years. The German Reformed congregation have erected a very neat church building on their lot one half square north of the court house and jail.

Judge Jeremiah S. Black is dead. Mr. Barron speaks of the Judge as being "an inveterate user of tobacco." As a compensation for the money he spent for tobacco, the Judge did his own shaving, and always carried in his "grip" a splendid shaving "kit." The writer of this, during the year 1859, was clerk in the Washington Hotel at Bedford, then kept by Mrs. Dominick Cook, a German woman, who provided well for her many boarders. She was, indeed, a good "cook". At this hotel Judge Black stayed as often as he came to Bedford.

While there on one occasion the Judge made me a present of his shaving kit. He probably bought a new and better one. The outfit he gave me consisted of an American razor, with an American eagle engraved on the blade, a superior metallic strap manufactured by Ira Freeman at Sandy Hill, N. Y., and a soap box and brush. The whole outfit is still in a good state of preservation, and still in use by the writer, though received forty-three years ago.

Judge Black in after years became a resident of York county, Pa. He purchased a fine property and a splendid residence on an elevation east of the city of York, which gave him a fine outlook.

The Associate Judges—Hon. Samuel Robinson and Mark Dickson are both long since dead, as is also Sheriff David Fore, and Prothonotary Geo. Wilds. Judge F. M. Kimmel moved from Somerset county to Chambersburg at which place he died several years ago.

John Cessna, John W. Mower, Wilson Reilly, and the Barclays—all are dead.

John H. Filler, who with James B. Boggs "eked out a living by teaching the town school" became editor of the Fulton Republican during which time he won the love of Miss Louisa M. Bohn, daughter of John W. and Mary Bohn, who then resided in the building that is now the home of the Fulton County News.

Their young married life, however, was of short duration; for on the 3rd day May, 1854' the spirit of Louisa M. Filler took its flight to the God who gave it.

It was a sad day, to the young husband, and to the father of the young wife, to see her body placed in the grave, beside that of her mother who had preceded her nine years before.

In 1858 John H. Filler married Miss Libbie Reamer, of Bedford, Pa. Her father formerly owned the large farm, and stone mansion on the turnpike nine miles west of McConnellsburg.

To this woman four children were born, one of whom and the father, are the only survivors.

In 1859 under Buchanan's administration John H. Filler was employed in Washington, D. C. In 1861 he recruited a company of Bedford county sons, reported with them at Harrisburg, was sworn into service of the U. S. and received his appointment as Captain of the company he had recruited.

Major John H. Filler still lives in Philadelphia and is connected editorially with the Philadelphia Record.

T. J. THOMPSON.

Was There.

EDITOR NEWS: I read Editor Barron's article in the News with much appreciation. I beg, however, to correct one error, and that is, instead of Daniel Fore being the first sheriff, it was Jacob Barnhart.

I wonder whether Editor Barron remembers that "in those days" he taught school at Vallances schoolhouse in Licking Creek township one winter; and, I wonder if he remembers coming over to Davy Dunlap's school in what was called the "Dutch Corner" to a "spelling school" one night, and spelling against one of Mr. Dunlap's pupils a half an hour without either him or his opponent missing a word.

Only two of those who were present that night are living in this county, and they are both men near the age of three-score-and-ten; and one of those two was Mr. Barron's antagonist that night.

Whips Cove.

Edgar A. Diehl and Ed L. Diehl made a business trip to Hancock last week.

Misses Lillie and Nettie Layton are going to Bedford in the near future where they will spend the summer.

Mr. Robert Diehl sings "A charge to keep I have"—it is a girl.

Geo. F. Diehl and Howard Layton—two of our hustling young men—are very busily engaged planting fruit trees on their farms.

There will be baptism at the Whips Cove church on the fourth Sunday in May.

Quite a number of our little people are having the whooping cough.

Preaching next Sunday at Jerusalem by Rev. John H. Barney.

E. A. Hoopengardner and wife and Belle Diehl spent Sunday with Alice Hart.

Fannie and Emaline Diehl, we are glad to say, are getting better.

Quite a number of our young people attended "May Meeting" at Sideling Hill last Sunday.

Listen for the wedding bells.

Licking Creek.

Joseph Sipes and wife spent Sunday afternoon at Daniel Lake's.

Richard Deshong has returned home from Riddlesburg, and is improving his farm by hauling lime.

Morgan Deshong and wife and William Deshong, spent from Saturday to Monday with their son-in-law, Mr. William Mellott at Riddlesburg.

Preaching at Sideling Hill Christian church Sunday May 11th.

Lewis Mellott and family of Hyndman are visiting friends of Pleasant Bidge.

The fruit growers talk encouragingly of the prospects for a big crop of all kinds of fruit this year. They say the cold weather prevented the buds from developing too fast and they were not injured in the least by the recent cold spell and they think the season is now so far advanced that the chances of anything occurring to injure the crop are so remote that a great yield is assured.

Miss Sadie Fohner, who has been with her grandmother, has returned to her home at Hustontown.

Miss Ella Kline has returned home from Harrisonville on account of her mother's illness.

Mrs. Susan Kline who has been ill for some time is getting better.

George Mumma of Laidig, was visiting friends in Belfast Saturday and Sunday.

Mrs. Howard Hollenshead spent Sunday with her parents.

Mrs. Minerva Hoop who has been confined to her bed with rheumatism is some better.

The annual Memorial sermon will be preached in Hustontown at the U. B. church Sunday morning May 25, at 10:30 o'clock by Rev. Jackson. Rev. Melroy will be present and assist in the services.

Don't All Speak at Once.

Monday's mail brought the following pathetic appeal:

"PITTSBURG, PA., May 2, 1902.

"DEAR MR. PECK,
"Help this fellow out if you can. "Are there no women left in Fulton county?"

"Yours."

Enclosed with the above note, was a clipping from last Friday's Pittsburg Dispatch, which reads—"Frank Hansen, who operates a skiff ferry on the Ohio at the foot of McClure street, Allegheny, just below the Western Penitentiary, found a bottle floating with the current yesterday. It contained a note written with an indelible pencil, which read:

"Mr. W. B. Mellott, of Needmore, Fulton county, Pa., wants a wife. Rite soon."

Knowing few marriageable females Hansen is in a quandary as to whom to give the note."

A friend in the eastern part of the State had seen the same day's Dispatch, and his eye falling on this item, his heart was touched, and he clipped it out and sent it to us—it reaching this office by the same mail as that from Pittsburg.

We have read the Fulton County Directory through from cover to cover and failed to find any W. B. Mellott at Needmore. Hence we conclude that he is a Pittsburger who saw the write-up "Traveling Observer" gave Needmore in the News last week, and decided if he could get a wife, that he would buy a corner lot and locate in that town.

New Grenada.

Wilbur Mills, who has been in Clearfield county as cranesman for several months, arrived home last week on a vacation, and will, in a few days go to Punxsutawney to begin a new job.

Frank Keith of Altoona is visiting friends in the Valley.

Sam Dock failed to "show" here. He didn't arrive until night—too late to give a performance. It was quite a disappointment to the many that had gathered to see the sport.

Richard Alloway bought the Geo. H. McCoy property, and will move soon.

Ralph W. Cunningham, of Pittsburg, formerly assistant ticket agent at the Fifth Avenue Station, is home visiting his parents, Mr. and Mrs. L. L. Cunningham for a few days. He will soon return to the "Smoky City" to accept a position as book-keeper for the Consolidated Ice Company at shorter hours and more pay.

J. A. McDonough, assisted by Sam Alloway, is painting houses and barns in Trough Creek valley for Eli Keith and brother.

Mr. Geo. A. Stewart of Wells Tannery, came to our village a few weeks ago with an electric dip needle and was prospecting for coal, oil, and minerals. He is convinced that coal is abundant beneath our village, and a number having faith in the business, have organized temporarily, and raised subscription of labor donations to prospect, and began sinking a shaft near James McClain's barn. They are now down through a seam of fire clay into solid rock, and expect to find coal in the next ten feet. We hope so at least. Mr. Stewart promised coal at a depth of sixteen feet. The officers of the prospecting company are: N. J. Cunningham, superintendent; Dr. R. B. Campbell, general manager; J. A. McDonough, secretary and treasurer; John S. Mills, boss driver; Sam Alloway, pit boss; James McClain, gang boss; Jacob S. Black, weighmaster; Wm. Alloway, check weighman; F. G. Mills, time clerk; H. H. Bridestine, walking boss; Paymaster—not named yet. If we get coal the railroad will then come.

Two valuable cows died in town last week with scarcely an apparent cause; one belonged to Samuel Bender, and the other to Geo. C. Scott.

For Supervisors.

The following law, directing the removal of loose stones from the public highways, was passed at the last session of our legislature, and approved by Governor Stone last July. It says:

"That from and after the passage of this act the township supervisors and road commissioners of the several townships within this commonwealth shall by contract or otherwise remove and take away the loose stones from the main travel'd roads or highways in such townships, at least once each month during the months of May, June, July, August, September and October of each year. Penalty in case of neglect or refusal.

"Section 2. In case of neglect or refusal of the supervisors or road commissioners to carry out the provisions of the first section of this act shall forfeit and pay for every such offense, neglect or refusal, a fine or penalty not exceeding ten dollars, to be recovered by action of debt, in the name of the Commonwealth, before any justice of the peace or alderman of the county, with cost of suit. One-half of such fine to go to the informer or prosecutor, and the other one-half to be applied to repairing the roads or highways of the township.

Burnt Cabins.

There will be preaching in the M. E. church next Sunday evening at 7 o'clock.

Miss Laura Speck has gone to Shirlensburg, where she has a millinery store.

Blair Appleby and wife of Shade Gap spent last Sunday with J. W. Miller at this place.

John Appleby of Shirlensburg was here one day last week.

There has been much sickness in our town lately.

S. E. Bowman and George W. Comer have each built a new stable on his lot recently.

Miss Mary Walker, a music teacher from Willow Hill is spending some time in our town teaching music.

Rumor says we shall hear wedding bells in our village.

John Bowman spent a few days in Chambersburg last week, and Miss Savilla Bowman and Miss Dora Johnson were at McConnellsburg on Monday of last week.

Mr. Samuel Doran died at this place, April 30, 1902, aged about 88 years.

Sideling Hill.

Mrs. Caleb Whitfield recently visited her son near Gapsville.

The Bethel supervisors have been working the roads. That is right Amos, you ought to fix the foot bridge at Whitfield's mill. The people are crossing the creek on a log that was washed out by the recent high water, and have hard work to find the log as it is a long distance from the fording.

Mr. and Mrs. Silas Holly visited their relatives R. Mellott's recently.

How is the Lumber company at Flickerville getting along?

The Klondike road is in a very bad condition near W. H. Downs's. Some of the hills will grade 18 degrees. The supervisors ought to change the road so an empty wagon can be hauled along it.

Miss Bertha Golden's school has closed after a very successful term.

The Licking Creek people have been giving some problems; Now here is one: "Brothers and sisters I have none, but that man's father is my father's son: What relation are they."

It looks as though the fire wardens had not done much to keep fire out of the woods. I saw eight different forest fires in one night.

Bedford Needs a Knife Factory.

H. C. Heckerman, of Bedford, Pa., who is sole selling Agent for "Honest John" Plug Tobacco, informs us that during the last two months he has sent out over two hundred pocket knives for tags returned from "Honest John" Plug Tobacco.

Maggie Unger Hurt.

Miss Maggie Unger, daughter of Mr. and Mrs. W. P. Unger of Ayr township, after spending the winter with her parents returned a few weeks ago to Colorado. Sunday afternoon, 27th ult., she went to the hospital to see a patient, and upon her return riding down a hill on her bicycle, the machine became unmanageable and she was thrown violently to the ground fracturing a bone in one of her legs. She was at once taken to the hospital, where she is receiving the best of attention. Her room-mate Miss Vine L. Jackson writes that Maggie's cheerful disposition wins her friends wherever she goes.

Laidig.

S. S. Wilson has gone to Allen's Valley to peel bark for John Hassler.

James Foreman's family moved to Orbisona on Thursday, where he and his son Charles are employed.

J. E. Lyon has bought the John Lyon property and begun work upon it.

Martin Laidig is busy getting out stone for his barn wall.

Several of the members and friends of Fairview M. E. church met last Wednesday and spent the day in cleaning the church and white washing the picket fence which surrounds the lot.

Supervisor John Hoover with a force of hands spent Wednesday and Thursday repairing the roads in this part of the township.

One of our farmers is hauling out his lime, putting half a bushel to a heap, at the rate of fifty bushels to the acre. How far apart are the heaps?

Joseph Edwards, a few days ago, burnt some brush which had been cut by the employees of the telephone company. The wind rising, the fire spread to some manure which had been scattered on the field, burning much of the manure and several panels of fence.

Mr. —, of Hagerstown, agent for the McCormick Harvesting Machine Company, was in this vicinity last Thursday.

Mr. and Mrs. M. C. Greenland, of Wells Valley, spent Sunday with J. G. Lyon.

Miss Anna Speer and her mother, of Saluvia, spent Saturday at J. G. Lyon's.

There will be Quarterly Meeting Services at Fairview, Saturday, May 10, and Sunday, May 11.

A New One.

Some Waynesboro people have received letters from a Harrisburg firm that is pushing another "get rich quick" scheme. They sell you a camera for \$3.50. Then the "victim" is to write letters for which he is to receive \$8 for the first two weeks work and \$13 for each two weeks afterward. A Harrisburg bank has been communicated with in regard to the firm but they did not know of any firm in Harrisburg by the name given.

Dr. H. H. Hill, who has been laid up on account of poor health during the past year, accompanied his son Dr. Walter de la M. Hill to the city of Philadelphia, on Monday last for treatment. Word reached Everett since they arrived in the city that the specialists do not give doctor very much encouragement, and the father and son are expected home soon.—Everett Press.

Thomas Armstrong, a well known member of the Bedford bar, died suddenly at the Bedford Court House, on Wednesday afternoon, April 30. He was holding a conversation with Register and Recorder Edgar R. Horn, when he dropped dead.

The First Quarterly Conference of the year will be held in the McConnellsburg M. E. church Friday, May 9, at 3 P. M. Dr. E. H. Yocum will conduct the conference, and will also preach in the evening at 7.30 and, again, on Sunday evening, May 11, at the same hour.

SUPERINTENDENT ELECTED.

Charlie Barton Won on Sixth Ballot.

The weather on Tuesday was fine, perhaps the result of the candidates having made a hot canvass, and all the directors in the county, save four, were present, as well as a large number of other persons from different parts of the county, who had been drawn to town to see the "finish."

Shortly after 1 o'clock the convention of directors was organized by electing L. C. Kelly of Burnt Cabins president, and C. H. E. Plummer of New Grenada, and J. P. Garland of Needmore, secretaries.

Mr. Kelly suggested that Mr. Chesnut be invited to address the convention before the ballot was taken. It then occurred to Mr. Sloan of McConnellsburg, that it would only be fair that the other candidates should be allowed the same privilege.

The candidates were then allowed each five minutes to talk to the directors collectively.

After fixing the salary at \$1000 the balloting began with the following result:

Chester	15	17	19	17	14
Wible	14	7	8	2	1
Barton	15	20	24	28	31
Palmer	11	12	8	6	7
Lamberson	12	12	11	13	12

The fact that the candidates on the first ballot had all about the same strength shows that any one of them was regarded capable; but, as only one could be elected, of course, four had to be turned down. Those defeated needn't feel bad, when they consider that no man, except the present Mr. Barton, has been elected to the office during the past 30 years without first having to bear two defeats.

The selection of Mr. Barton gives very general satisfaction.

Nearly every week we receive some items of news from persons who do not give their names, of course the items go into the stove. The very fact that the writer withholds his name is calculated to arouse a suspicion in the mind of the editor that there is something wrong. In writing for a newspaper, never say anything about persons that you would not be willing to say to their face. Editors have no chance to cover themselves up in that way. If the spirit moves them to criticize the action of any one, the aggrieved person knows just where to lay his hand on the author—and when to. Hence, unless you are willing to give your name to us, and allow us to give your name to any one you may offend, save your postage.

We are in receipt of the church Record, a monthly periodical published by the Central Presbyterian church in Denver, Colorado. We are pleased to notice that our old friend and former student, John K. Garver, formerly of Licking Creek township, is the editor, and that Mr. Garver is also one of the twelve elders of that church. Also, we notice with pleasure that another of the elders is a man by the name of W. A. Peck. Pretty good for a Peck!

J. Frank Sheely, Esq., has assumed editorial management of the Fulton Democrat. The paper is receiving a new dress, and a general overhauling, and no pains nor expense will be spared to make it a paper of which every Democrat in the county will be proud. Mr. Sheely is a master printer, a writer possessing more than ordinary ability, and is a sound-to-the-core Democrat.

Notice.

The Executive Committee of the Veteran Association of Fulton county are requested to meet at the Reunion Grounds in Licking Creek township on Thursday, May 22, 1902, to appoint the date for the Annual Reunion, and for the transaction of such business as may come before them.

J. W. HOOP, Pres.

D. MALLOY, Secty.

Personal Mention.

Miss Nettie Foreman, of Laidig, went to Altoona last week.

Mr. J. M. Foreman and family of Laidig moved last week to Rock-hill Furnace.

Mrs. David Fraker of Fort Littleton spent a day in town last week with Mrs. Fleck.

Misses Ella and Eva Mellott called at our office a few minutes while in town last Wednesday.

Lois Caldwell is spending a week with her friend Mamie Skinner in Chambersburg.

Mrs. Clara Strait of Patterson's Run, was in town Monday patronizing our merchants.

Miss Roxy, daughter of Reamer Sipes was in town Monday making some spring purchases.

Mrs. William Laidig and daughter Miss Luemma spent Monday shopping at McConnellsburg.

Mr. L. B. Tate of Akersville looked in on "ye printers" while in town last Saturday. Mr. Tate says it will not be long till the lumber will be cleaned up over there.

Our friend J. W. Mower of Clear Ridge was an early caller Monday morning, and when he left we had a dollar more towards paying the expenses of getting out the paper this week.

Rev. William A. Jackson, of the U. B. church Hustontown, was a guest at the home of Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Thompson of this place, Monday.

Charlie Lodge and Miss Grace Hixson of Brush Creek valley came over to McConnellsburg last Saturday, and remained with friends until Sunday afternoon when they returned home.

M. R. Shafter, Esq., is attending United States court in Harrisburg this week as a juror. It is well enough to get a lawyer on the jury once in a while that he may see how it goes to listen to the other fellow.

Tuesday evening the members of the committee on arrangements for the celebration of the twenty-fifth anniversary of the organization of the Royal arcanum hall on East Market street and decided to celebrate the occasion on June 23 at Penmar. The committee will meet again on May 12 in Hagerstown to complete the arrangements and to appoint sub-committees. The following persons composed the committee: W. W. Stover, D. L. Stevens, L. R. Mobley, Charles Schauba, C. A. Susslerott, H. R. Blair, H. B. McNulty, of this place. The committee also decided to invite the following councils to join in the celebration of the days: Middletown, Steelton, Harrisburg, Carlisle, New Cumberland, Shippensburg, Chambersburg, Waynesboro, Greencastle; Mercersburg, McConnellsburg, Gettysburg, York, Hanover, Hagerstown and Martinsburg.

What Thin Folks Need.

Is a greater power of digesting and assimilating food. For them Dr. King's New Life Pills work wonders. They tone and regulate the digestive organs, gently expel all poisons from the system, enrich the blood, improve appetite, make healthy flesh. Only 25c at W. S. Dickson's.

Last Friday evening as the thunder storm was passing over the lower end of the Cove lightning struck the yard fence at the home of Emanuel Keyser, near Webster Mills tearing several pickets off and stunning Mr. Keyser who was sitting in the house.

Reveals A Great Secret.

It is often asked how such startling cures, that puzzle the best physicians, are effected by Dr. King's New Discovery for Consumption. Here's the secret. It cuts out the phlegm and germ infected mucus, and lets the life-giving oxygen enrich and vitalize the blood. It heals the inflamed, cough-worn throats and lungs. Hard colds and stubborn coughs soon yield to Dr. King's New Discovery, the most infallible remedy for all Throat and Lung diseases. Guaranteed bottles 50c and \$1.00. Trial bottle free at W. S. Dickson's.